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The following components have been identified as being located within the boundaries of the Water Preserve Areas. The component descriptions for the Pre-selected Plan have been modified from D13R (recommended plan for the C&SF Comprehensive Review Study), and from Other Project Elements (OPEs). These components have been outlined in the component descriptions in a very conceptual way. Some additional level of incidental design has been expended on several of the components in order to allow them to be included in the subregional models.

The WPA Study Team has committed to the inclusion of fish & wildlife refugia/habitat/features where the component design allows this without compromising the function/purpose/intent of the component. Once the Team has selected a set of recommended components the actual fish & wildlife features will be designed/proposed as part of the recommended plan.

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Acme Basin B Discharge (OPE)

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area – Palm Beach County

Component Title: Acme Basin B Discharge – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 1

Purpose: Improve water quality discharge into Water Conservation Area (WCA) 1, attenuate peak flows and route discharge to regional storage areas.

Operation: Develop 357-acre stormwater treatment area (STA) to treat up to 150 cfs of Acme Basin B runoff which is subsequently discharged to WCA 1, also known as Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge (LNWR). Up to 350 cfs of runoff is sent to a 533-acre surface water impoundment, which contains a 25-MGD Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) system. If water is available in either the impoundment or ASR storage, water supply demands are met in the following order: LWDD to maintain the canals, LNWR, STA to maintain water levels at ground and the impoundment to maintain water levels 1 foot above ground during the dry season.

Design and operation details:

- 1) Stormwater treatment area: Approximately 357 acres with a maximum depth of 4 feet located in Section 24, south of Rustic Ranches. The inflow pump capacity is 150 cfs and pulls water from the Acme C-1 canal when the canal reaches elevation 14.0 feet NGVD and turns off when the stage drops to elevation 13.0 feet NGVD. It discharges into a distribution canal that distributes flows west into the STA via eight, 36-inch diameter CMP culverts, each 50 feet long. At the western end of the STA, another canal collects flows and directs them into WCA 1 via the outflow pump station (150 cfs) if water quality targets for the LNWR have been met and the LNWR needs water. The outflow pump station turns on when the stage in the STA reaches elevation 18.3 feet NGVD and turns off when the stage drops to elevation 16.8 feet NGVD. Seepage is collected and returned to the STA by two 25 cfs pumps. They are turned on when the stage in the seepage canal reaches elevation 13.6 feet NGVD and turned off when the stage drops to elevation 13.0 feet NGVD.
- 2) Impoundment: Approximately 533 acres with a maximum storage depth of 8 feet located in Section 34. Water is provided from the Acme C-25 canal via the inflow pump which has a capacity of 350 cfs. The inflow pump turns on when the Acme C-25 canal stage reaches elevation 14.0 feet NGVD and turns off when the stage drops to elevation 13.0 feet NGVD or the depth in the impoundment reaches 8.0 feet (24.3 feet NGVD). The impoundment has a total discharge capacity of 300 cfs via two 150 cfs gravity structures, located at the northwest and northeast corners of the impoundment. The northeast gravity structure provides water to the C-51 Canal via the Acme canal system. The gravity structure in the northwest corner is co-located with the inflow pump and delivers water to the STA.

- 3) ASR: The impoundment includes 5 ASR injection wells with a capacity of 5 MGD each or a total capacity of 25 MGD (38 cfs). Water is collected by the horizontal wells and toe drains located along the north, east and west levees within the impoundment. It is injected into the ASR wells when the impoundment stage reaches elevation 17 feet NGVD (1 foot above ground) or greater. ASR injection ceases when the water depth is less than elevation 17 feet NGVD. The water stored in the ASR wells is used to meet the following prioritized demands: LWDD, LNWR, STA (to keep water levels at natural ground) and the impoundment (to keep water levels 1 foot above ground during the dry season to reduce seepage from the Strazzulla wetlands).
- 4) There are two operational scenarios.
 - (1) On-peak operations: Runoff is routed to the impoundment at a rate up to 350 cfs. Water in the impoundment is injected into the 25-MGD ASR system when water depths are greater than 1 foot. If necessary, an additional 150 cfs of runoff is sent to the STA, which treats and releases the water to LNWR. (2) Off-peak operations: When water depth in the impoundment is greater than 1 foot, water is sent from the impoundment to the wetland treatment area at a rate up to 150 cfs and subsequently to LNWR. Additionally, when water depths in the impoundment are greater than 4 feet, flows at a rate up to 150 cfs are sent to the C-51 Canal to meet LWDD demands and/or to provide water to the Agricultural Reserve Impoundment.
- 5) The Acme C-26 canal along the south boundary of the impoundment is plugged at the east and west ends of the impoundment. Seepage from the impoundment along this canal reach is uncontrolled and is allowed to move southward into northern Strazzulla.
- 6) Existing canals along the north (C-25 Canal), east (C-7 Canal) and west (C-6 Canal) boundaries of the impoundment are used for both seepage collection and runoff conveyance. Seepage is collected and returned to the impoundment.
- 7) A sump area containing approximately 15% of the total area of the impoundment will be included in the impoundment.

Location: east of the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge (WCA 1) at the southwestern end of the Acme Improvement District.

Counties: Palm Beach

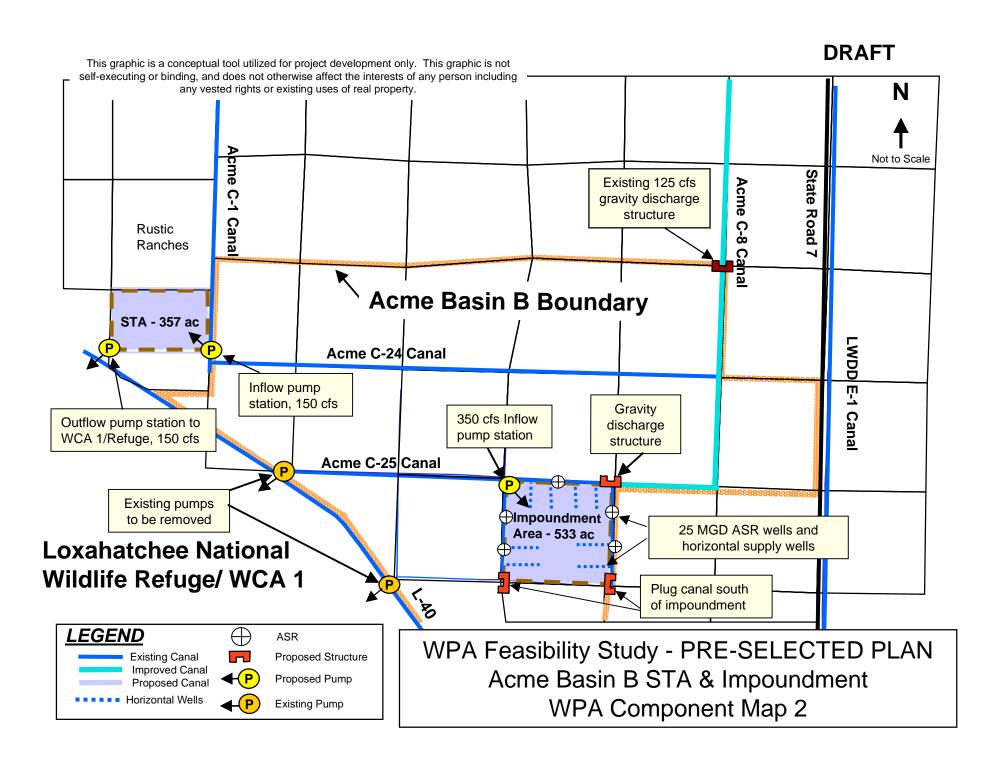
Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Water quality treatment for runoff entering WCA 1 is provided by a chemical treatment/ stormwater treatment area in order to meet applicable water quality standards.
- 2) Land is available for treatment, attenuation storage and canal upgrades (if necessary).
- Sufficient peak flow attenuation storage will be provided to maintain existing flood protection.

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- 4) Acme Improvement District is evaluating their system to determine what internal changes need to be made to enable 150 cfs of flow through Basin A via the Acme C-6, C-7 and C-8 canals to the C-51 Canal.
- 5) Recovery rate of 70 percent for water stored by the ASR.
- 6) Water available for discharge is released to the LWDD during off-peak times before LWDD withdrawals from WCA 1 are made via G-94A, G-94B and G-94C structures.
- 7) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump station.

Summary of modifications from D13R: Five ASR production wells with a total capacity of 25 MGD are added. Horizontal wells and toe drains and nearby groundwater provide source water for the ASR wells. Operation of the impoundment changes to incorporate the ASR storage. Separate seepage collection canals surrounding the impoundment are removed. Existing Acme canals (C-6, C-7 and C-25) will be used to control seepage and convey runoff into the impoundment. The Acme C-26 canal reach that borders the south side of the impoundment is plugged. 100% seepage return from the impoundment was modeled in the regional model. The subregional model returns seepage to the impoundment by maintaining stages in the canals that surround the impoundment and inflow pump. Seepage is collected and returned to the STA via a proposed collection system. LWDD E-1 canal is not used to convey water directly from the impoundment to the Agricultural Reserve Impoundment.



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Protect and Enhance Existing Wetland Systems along the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge (LNWR) including the Strazzulla Tract - (OPE)

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area – Palm Beach County

Component Title: Protect and Enhance Existing Wetland Systems along the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge (LNWR) including the Strazzulla Tract - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 3

Purpose: Provide a hydrological and ecological connection to the Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge and expand the spatial extent of protected natural areas.

Intent: The additional lands to be purchased combined with the lands acquired are acting as a buffer between higher water stages to the west and lands to the east that must be drained. This increase in spatial extent provides vital habitat connectivity for species that require large unfragmented tracts of land for survival. It also contains the only remaining cypress habitat in the eastern Everglades and is one of the few remaining sawgrass marshes located adjacent to the coastal ridge. This area provides an essential Everglades landscape heterogeneity function.

Design and operation details:

- 1) A three to five foot high berm (five foot high along the southern end) is constructed along the northern and eastern boundaries of the property to reduce runoff, losses to the east, and allow deeper water depths.
- 2) A 300 cfs control structure in LWDD L-23W canal consists of gated culverts. The structure controls the LWDD L-23W canal at the same elevation as the L-40 borrow canal when it is greater than elevation 15.8 feet NGVD. When L-40 is less than elevation 15.8 feet NGVD, the structure is operated to control L-23W at the same elevation as the LWDD canal system.
- 3) A slurry wall is constructed along the northwest boundary of Strazzulla to reduce seepage from Strazzulla. The slurry wall begins at the L-40 levee and extends east to the western plug in the Acme C-26 canal (length approximately 1 mile). The wall extends to a depth of –10 feet NGVD. The purpose of the slurry wall is to reduce or eliminate seepage from Strazzulla wetlands northward to Acme B Basin.
- 4) This feature also includes the acquisition of approximately 3335 acres of land adjacent to WCA 1 including the Strazzulla Tract.

Location: East of WCA 1 in central Palm Beach County

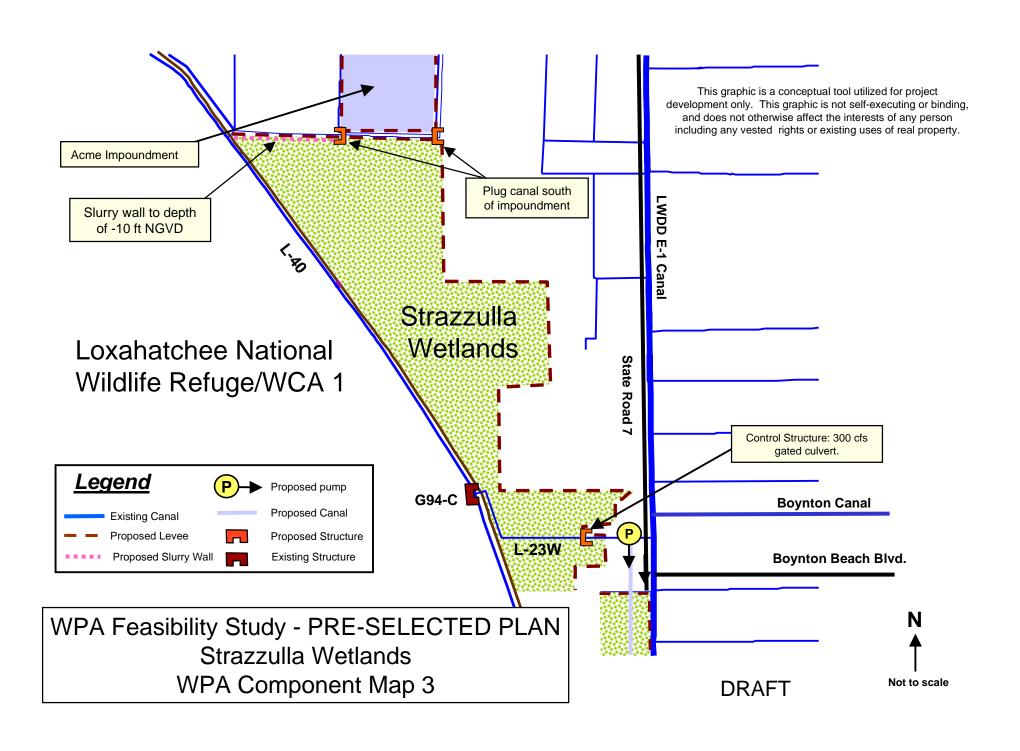
Counties: Palm Beach

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Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Water supply deliveries to LWDD via L-23W Canal are not interrupted by the operation of the proposed control structure.
- 2) This feature also includes the acquisition of approximately 3335 acres of land adjacent to WCA 1 including the Strazzulla Tract.
- 3) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump station.

Summary of modifications from D13R: Construction of a three to five foot high berm along the northern and eastern boundaries and a 300 cfs control structure in LWDD L-23W. A slurry wall extends from the L-40 Levee east to the western plug in Acme C-26 Canal at Acme B Impoundment penetrating to a depth of –10 feet NGVD. Seepage from the Acme B Basin Impoundment is allowed southward into northern Strazzulla by isolating the Acme C-26 canal along the southern border of the impoundment.



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Component VV

Geographic Region: Central Eastern Palm Beach County

Component Title: Palm Beach County Agricultural Reserve Impoundment – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 4

Purpose: Increase water supply for central and southern Palm Beach County by capturing and storing water currently discharged to tide.

Operation: The 750-acre impoundment is filled during the wet season from excess water backpumped out of the western portions of the Lake Worth Drainage District (LWDD). Water is released back to LWDD to maintain canal stages during the dry season. As with the base cases, regional water is supplied to the LWDD when water levels fall below elevation 15.8 feet NGVD. Water is backpumped into the impoundment when water levels are above elevation 16.0 feet NGVD in the LWDD system canals.

Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) capacity improves water supply deliveries during drought. The impoundment contains twelve (12), 5-MGD capacity ASR injection wells with a total capacity of 60-MGD or 93 cfs. Water from the impoundment is injected into the ASR system when depths in the impoundment are above 1 foot. Water is supplied from the impoundment up to the outflow capacity to meet local water supply demands before tapping water from the ASR system.

Design and operation details:

- 1) The impoundment is 750 acres with a maximum depth of 12 feet (volume of 9000 acre-feet). The impoundment is located north of Atlantic Avenue, south of Boynton Beach Boulevard and west of SR 7.
- 2) A delivery canal directs flows from the LWDD L-23W and E-1 canals south to the impoundment via a 400 cfs capacity pump station. A 3-foot high berm is constructed east of the canal and west of SR 7 to mitigate seepage. A siphon structure is located at the crossing of the new delivery canal and the LWDD L-30 canal.
- 3) Inflows: Two pump stations provide the total inflow capacity of 850 cfs to the impoundment. A 600 cfs capacity pump station in the northeast corner of the impoundment pulls from the delivery canal and the LWDD L-30 canal. A 250 cfs capacity pump station in the southeast corner of the impoundment pumps from the LWDD E-1 canal via a proposed connector canal. The stations begin pumping when stages in the LWDD system reach elevation 16.2 feet NGVD and stop when stages drop to elevation 16.0 feet NGVD.

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- 4) Discharges: A gravity control structure supplies water to LWDD canal system at a rate up to 500 cfs with 4 feet of hydraulic head. The structure consists of four 6-foot diameter gated culverts. The structure is located in the center of the east side of the impoundment. Water is discharged to the LWDD canal system when the stage falls below elevation 15.8 feet NGVD.
- 5) There are two operational scenarios.
 - (1) On-peak operations: The impoundment fills during the wet season from excess water backpumped out of the portions of the C-15 and C-16 basins that are located west of Military Trail. The water is backpumped into the impoundment when water levels are above elevation 16.0 feet NGVD in the LWDD canals at a rate up to 850 cfs. Water in the impoundment is subsequently supplied to a 60-MGD ASR system.
 - (2) Off-peak operations: Water releases back to LWDD at a rate up to 500 cfs to maintain canal stages during the dry season. Regional water is supplied to the LWDD when canal water levels fall below elevation 15.8 feet NGVD. LWDD demands are met by recovering water from the impoundment first, then ASR and finally from WCA 1 via G-94A, G-94B or G-94C.
- 6) An emergency overflow spillway is designed as a lower section of the levee to maintain impoundment levee integrity. The emergency overflow spillway invert elevation is 1 foot above the maximum normal operating elevation. The spillway discharges into the LWDD L-40 Canal.
- Seepage is collected and returned to the impoundment by a perimeter canal with a 200 cfs capacity pump station. The control elevation of the seepage collection canal is 16.0 feet NGVD.
- 8) Twelve, 5-MGD ASR wells provide an injection capacity of 60-MGD (93 cfs). The withdrawal capacity is increased to 80-MGD (124 cfs) with the addition of four (4), 5-MGD withdrawal wells. Water is supplied from horizontal supply wells and toe drains to the ASR wells when the elevation in the impoundment is above 17.7 feet NGVD (1 foot depth). ASR injection stops when the water level in the impoundment is below 17.7 feet NGVD.

Assumptions and related considerations:

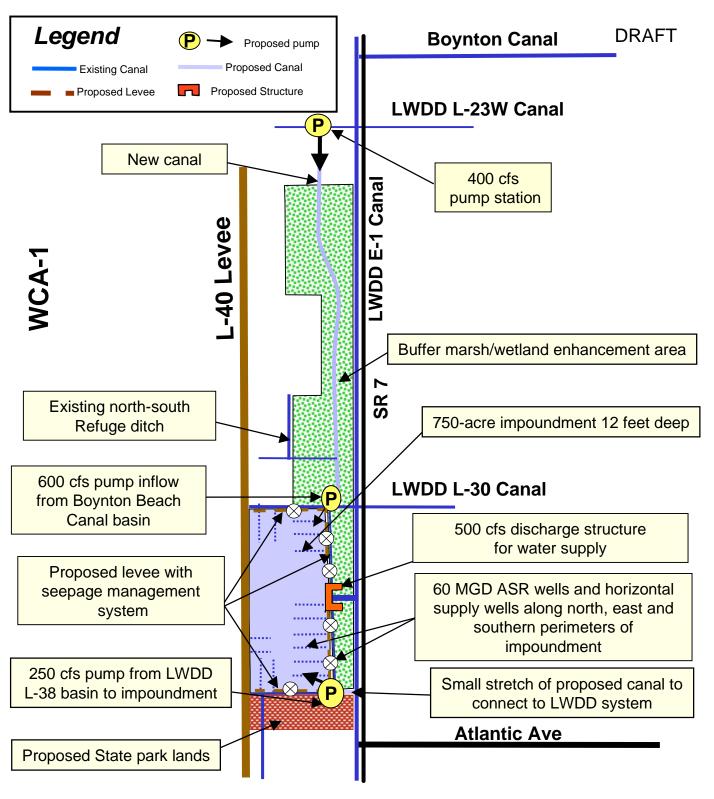
- 1) Excess storage could be discharged to the LWDD during off peak times.
- 2) Conveyance may need to be improved in the LWDD canal system to pass the proposed 500 cfs discharge from the impoundment.
- 3) Water available for discharge is released to the LWDD canals during off-peak times before LWDD withdrawals from WCA 1 are made via G-94A, G-94B and G-94C structures.
- 4) If the area between the Refuge and SR 7 cannot be acquired, then an additional structure may be required at the southwest corner of the impoundment to maintain flood protection for this area during storm events.
- 5) No operation changes in the LWDD.
- 6) Recovery rate of 70 percent for water stored by the ASR.
- 7) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump station.

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Location: The western portion of central Palm Beach County adjacent to WCA 1 and south of Boynton Beach Boulevard.

Counties: Palm Beach

Summary of modifications from D13R: Impoundment footprint is modified to 750 acres. The northern area of the impoundment is a buffer marsh/ wetland enhancement area with a meandering delivery canal and levee berm. The eastern boundary of the impoundment is shifted west of the FPL powerlines. Seepage canals, pumps and structures capacities and locations are modified. The ASR system has changed to 60-MGD injection capacity and 80-MGD withdrawal capacity. ASR supply wells are modified to consist of horizontal wells and toe drains. A new canal is proposed to connect the southeast corner of the impoundment to the LWDD E-1 canal.



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Agricultural Reserve Impoundment and ASR
WPA Component Map 4

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Component M

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Palm Beach County

Component Title: Hillsboro Impoundment (aka Site 1) – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 5

Purpose: Water supply storage impoundment to supplement water deliveries to the Hillsboro Canal during the dry season.

Operation: The impoundment fills during the wet season from excess water backpumped from the Hillsboro Canal. Water releases back to the Hillsboro Canal to help maintain canal stages during the dry season. If water is not available in the impoundment, existing operating rules for water delivery to this region apply. Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) is proposed in conjunction with the impoundment to improve water supply during dry seasons and droughts. Thirty (30), 5-MGD ASR injection wells are included for a total of 150-MGD (230 cfs) capacity. Water from the Hillsboro Impoundment is injected into the ASR wells when stages in the impoundment are greater than 12.5 feet NGVD (1-foot of depth). Water is released from the impoundment and is recovered from the ASR wells when stages in the Hillsboro Canal are less than 7.0 feet NGVD to help maintain canal stages during dry periods.

The impoundment is compartmentalized into three cells, two are located north of the Hillsboro Canal and one south. The total acreage of the impoundment is 2246 acres. North Springs Improvement District (NSID) discharges are redirected north to the southern compartment of the impoundment via the L-36 borrow canal and a proposed pump station. The L-36 borrow canal is relocated along the southern boundary of the southern compartment.

Detailed design and operation:

- 1) Impoundment: 2246 acres with a maximum depth of 6 feet located north and south of the Hillsboro Canal. A seepage canal running along the east side of the impoundment directs seepage south to the Hillsboro Canal through a gated culvert (100-cfs capacity). Seepage south of the Hillsboro Canal collects in the relocated L-36 borrow canal and discharges to the Hillsboro Canal through the relocated S-39A structure.
- 2) Inflow: There are two inflow pumps providing the total inflow rate of 2000 cfs. A 1500 cfs capacity pump station is located in the Hillsboro Canal. A 500 cfs capacity pump station is located in the southwest corner of the impoundment and directs NSID flow into the southwestern compartment of the impoundment.
- 3) Discharges: A 700 cfs outflow structure is located in the northwestern compartment and discharges to the Hillsboro Canal. This structure consists of three, 4-foot diameter, 70 feet long gated culverts.

- 4) There are two operational scenarios.
 - (1) On-peak operations: The impoundment fills during the wet season with excess water backpumped from the Hillsboro Canal and NSID via the L-36 borrow canal. A 1500 cfs inflow pump station in the Hillsboro Canal turns on when the stage in the Hillsboro Canal reaches elevation 7.7 feet NGVD and turns off when the canal stage drops to elevation 7.0 feet NGVD. The pump also turns off when the stage in the impoundment north of the Hillsboro Canal reaches elevation 17.0 feet NGVD (6 feet deep). The 500 cfs capacity pump station in the southwest corner of the impoundment directs NSID flow into the southern compartment of the impoundment. This pump turns on when the L-37 borrow canal is at elevation 7.3 feet NGVD and turns off at elevation 7.0 feet NGVD.
 - (2) Off-peak operations: A 700 cfs outflow structure is located in the northwestern compartment and discharges to the Hillsboro Canal. The structure discharges when the Hillsboro Canal stage drops below elevation 7.0 feet NGVD and stops discharging when the canal reaches elevation 7.5 feet NGVD. The water stored in the impoundment and ASR storage system is used to meet the following prioritized demands: LWDD, C-14, C-13 and North New River.
- 5) A 300 cfs siphon connects the northwestern and southern compartments. Culverts also interconnect the northwestern and northeastern compartments. These connects allow water to be transferred between compartments.
- 6) Two, 500 cfs emergency overflow spillways are designed as lower sections of the levees to maintain levee integrity. The spillway invert elevations are 1 foot above the maximum normal operating elevation of the impoundment. The spillways discharge into the Hillsboro Canal.
- 7) Thirty (30), 5-MGD ASR injection wells (total capacity 150-MGD or about 230 cfs) are located around the perimeter of the impoundment. Ten (10) additional wells have been added to increase the withdrawal capacity to 200-MGD (310 cfs) which improves the effectiveness if the ASR storage system. Water is supplied for injection into the ASR wells via horizontal supply wells and toe drains located inside the impoundment and along the south bank of Hillsboro Canal and east of southern compartment. Water from the horizontal supply wells injects into the ASR wells when stages in the impoundment are greater than 12.5 feet NGVD (1.0 foot of depth).
- 8) The conveyance of Hillsboro Canal is increase by deepening the cross section from inflow structure at the impoundment eastward to LWDD E-2 Canal to enable additional flows from the western Hillsboro Canal basin to be backpumped into the impoundment.
- 9) Seepage is collected and returned to the impoundment by two 64-cfs pumps.

Location: The Water Preserve Area Land Suitability Analysis previously identified 2460-acre site.

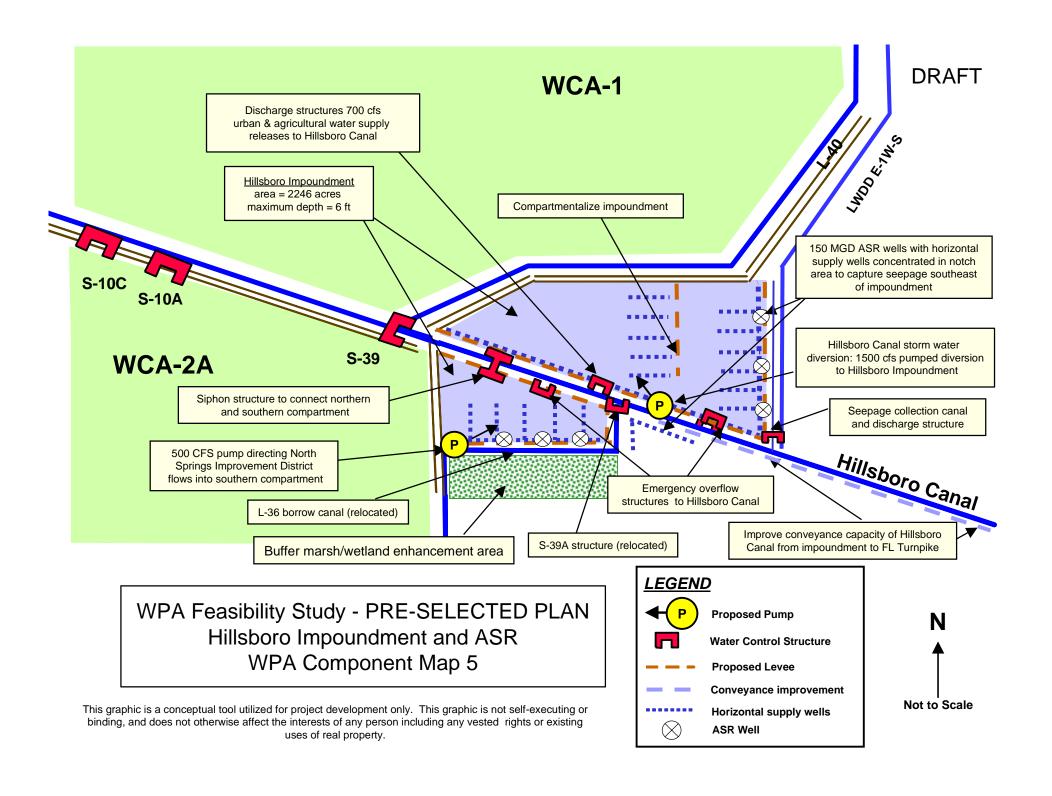
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Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Recovery rate of 70 percent for water stored by ASR.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump station.

Summary of modifications from D13R: The impoundment footprint in modified to 2246 acres and compartmentalized to optimize operations and reduce levee height requirements. The inflow pump is increased to 2000 cfs and Hillsboro Canal conveyance is also increased from the pump station eastward to LWDD E-2 Canal to capture additional flows. The seepage collection system is modified. The ASR supply wells are modified to horizontal wells and toe drains and ten (10), 5-MGD ASR wells are added to increase the withdrawal capacity to 200-MGD (310 cfs). The L-36 borrow canal and S-39A structure are relocated. NSID discharges are redirected north into the southern compartment of the impoundment via the L-36 borrow canal and a proposed pump station.



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Component YY

Geographic Region: Water Conservation Area -Water Preserve Area - Lake Belt

Component Title: Divert WCA 2 flows to Central Lake Belt Storage - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 6

Purpose: Capture excess water in Water Conservation Area (WCA) 2B to reduce stages above desired target levels in WCA 2B and to divert water through the improved L-37 and L-33 borrow canals to 1) Northeast Shark River Slough (NESRS) to meet targets or 2) Central Lake Belt Storage Area.

Operation: Surface water in WCA 2B above target levels overflows through three structures along L-35 and L-35A to the North New River Canal. It is pumped to the L-37 borrow canal along with seepage from WCA 2B. The North New River Canal, L-37 and L-33 borrow canals are improved to accept this additional flow along with the seepage collected from WCA 3. This water is pumped to NESRS if it is below target levels or into a lined reservoir to be located south of the confluence of the L-33 borrow canal and the C-6 Canal referred to as the Central Lake Belt Storage Area (CLBSA). SEE COMPONENT S.

Design and operation detail:

- 1) Construct three diversion structures with 120 cfs capacity @0.5 feet of head and 350 cfs capacity @4.0 feet of head along the southern perimeter of WCA 2B to pass flows greater than targets.
- 2) Structure S-124 is removed. A basin divide structure will be located immediately downstream of the confluence of L-35A and L-35 borrow canals. It will have a control elevation of 4.25 feet NGVD in order to separate WCA 2B overflow from water supply deliveries made southeast in the North New River Canal.
- Construct a divide structure northeast of the easternmost WCA 2B diversion structure with a crest at elevation 6.3 feet NGVD to separate WCA 2B flows directed south.
- 4) 1500 cfs pump station to divert overflow and seepage from the L-35 borrow canal to the L-37 borrow canal. Pump on when water levels in WCA 2B are 1.25 feet above target and pump off when water levels in WCA 2B drop below 1.0 foot above target.
- 5) Culvert with 1500 cfs capacity to pass flows generated by both seepage collection in the L-35A and L-35 borrow canals and flows above targets in WCA 2B from the L-38 east borrow canal to the L-37 borrow canal.
- 6) Improve conveyance of L-37 and L-33 borrow canals to 3000 cfs to handle WCA 2B flows plus seepage from WCA 3.
- 7) Remove S-9XN and S-9XS or improve structures to accommodate increased flows.

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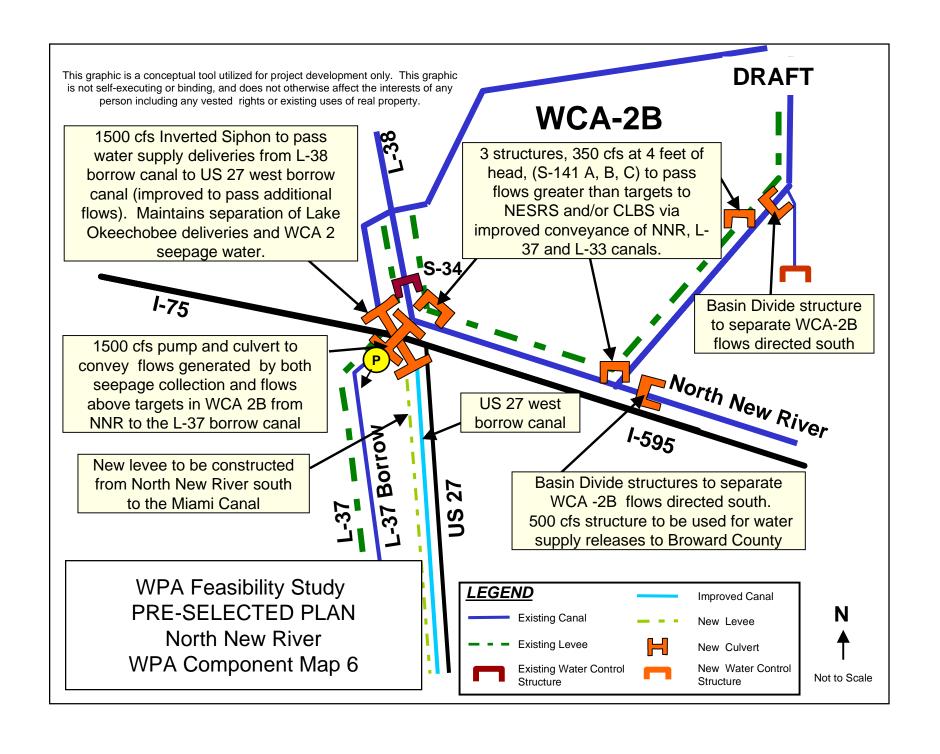
Location: The overflow structures are located along the southern levee of WCA 2B. L-37 and L-33 borrow canal improvements are located east of the protective levees and 0.5 mile west of US Highway 27 between the North New River Canal and the Miami Canal.

Counties: Broward

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Prioritization of use of Central Lake Belt Storage Area water.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump station.

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R.



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Component O

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Broward County

Component Title: Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3A and 3B Levee Seepage Management – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAPS 7 and 8

Purpose: Reduce seepage from WCA 3A and 3B to improve hydropatterns within the WCAs by allowing higher water levels in the borrow canals and maintaining longer inundated duration within the marsh areas that are located east of the WCAs and west of US Highway 27. Seepage from the WCAs and marshes is collected and directed south into the Central Lake Belt Storage Area. This maintains flood protection and the separation of seepage water from urban runoff originating in the Western C-11 basin and Lake Okeechobee water supply deliveries.

Operations: The L-37 and L-33 borrow canals are held at higher stages as part of the WCA 3A and 3B seepage management system. The canals are also used to convey flows as part of the WCA 2B diversion flow system (Component YY). Seepage and canal flows collected in the L-37 and L-33 borrow canals are directed south to the Northeast Shark River Slough (NESRS) to meet its demands; to the Central Lake Belt Storage Area for storage; or returned to WCA 3A through the proposed critical project pump S-9A.

Design and operation detail:

- 1) New levees are constructed west of US Highway 27 from the North New River Canal to the Miami (C-6) Canal. This provides a separation of seepage water from the urban runoff.
- 2) The northern Everglades Buffer Strip, that runs parallel to the L-37 borrow canal, is controlled via a gated spillway at an elevation of 7.5 feet NGVD, wet season and 6.5 feet NGVD, dry season. A new 50 cfs gravity control structure directs water which can pond in the buffer strip near the C-11 Canal into the L-37 borrow canal just east of the S-9 pump station. The discharge into the C-11 Canal is diverted or returned to WCA 3A by the S-9A pump station (critical project).
- 3) The southern Everglades Buffer Strip, that runs parallel to the L-33 borrow canal, is controlled via a gated spillway at an elevation of 6.5 feet NGVD, wet season and 5.5 feet NGVD, dry season.
- 4) A divide structure is added in the C-11 Canal, east of US Highway 27 to maintain a headwater stage to reduce/control seepage from WCA 3A and to separate seepage water from urban runoff. Seepage water west of the divide structure is backpumped into WCA 3A by the new critical project pump station S-9A. Water from the C-11 west basin, east of the divide structure, is backpumped into the C-11 STA/Impoundment and may be diverted south to the North Lake Belt Storage Area and C-9 STA/Impoundment as storage availability exists in either facility.

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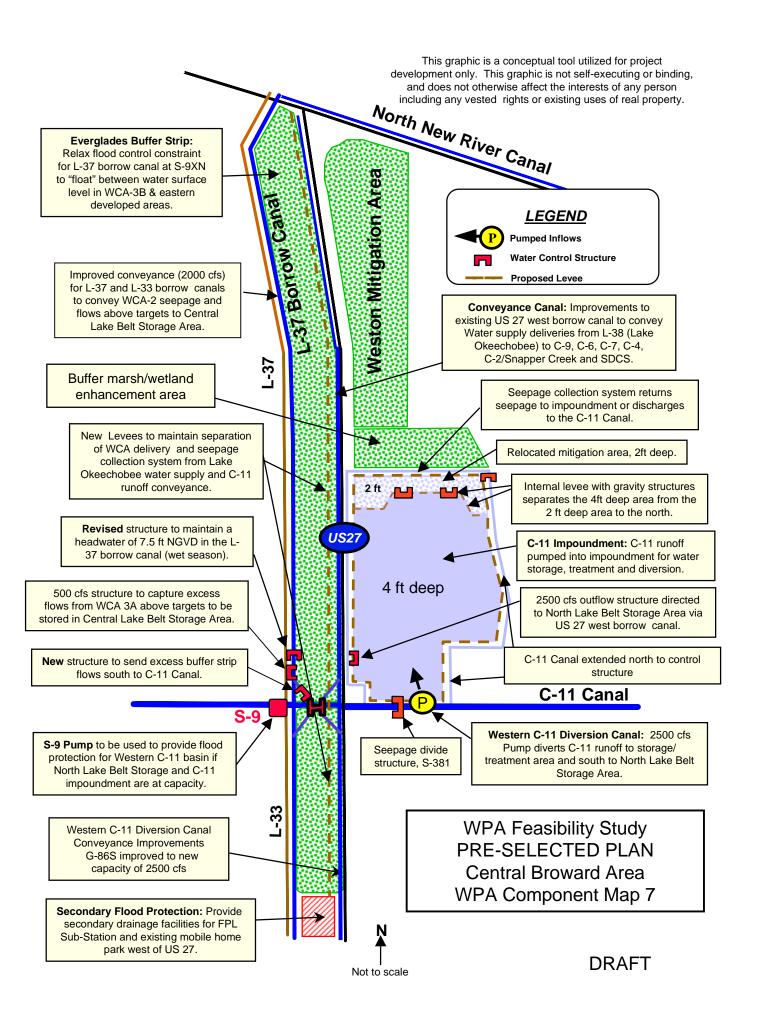
Location: Seepage collected in borrow canals along the existing eastern protective levees adjacent to WCA 3. The divide structure is located in the C-11 Canal west of US Highway 27.

Counties: Broward

Assumptions and related considerations:

1) The seepage from the Water Conservation Areas meets the water quality standards necessary to achieve ecosystem restoration.

Summary of modifications from D13R: Control elevations for L-33 and L-37 borrow canals are modified to improve the hydroperiod in the northern and southern Everglades Buffer Strip with the addition of two control structures. A control structure to transfer water from the Everglades Buffer Strip to WCA 3A via the S-9A pump is added.



This graphic is a conceptual tool utilized for project development only. This graphic is not selfexecuting or binding, and does not otherwise affect the interests of any person including any vested rights or existing uses of real property. C-11Canal DRAFT S-9 Stormwater Diversion: Excess runoff from the C-11 Impoundment S-9XS and L-33 borrow canal diverted south to North Lake Belt Storage Area and the C-9 Impoundment. improved to pass WCA-2 seepage and overflow (2000 cfs) water to NESRS and Central **Everglades Buffer Strip:** Lake Belt Storage Area Relax flood control constraint for L-33 borrow canal to "float" between water surface level in WCA-3B & eastern developed areas. Secondary Flood Protection: Provide secondary drainage facilities for FPL sub-station and existing mobile home park west of US 27 C-11 Diversion Canal: 2500 cfs Pumps will be provided if necessary. capacity, canal improvements to US 27 west borrow canal Proposed mitigation area. Existing mitigation area. 2 ft 1000 cfs structure for deliveries C-9 Impoundment: Runoff pumped into impoundment for south to C-7, C-6, C-4, C-2 and stormwater treatment, seepage reduction and groundwater Biscayne Bay recharge. Maximum depth is 4 feet. Seepage collection system: seepage from west, north & east sides pumped back into 4 ft deep impoundment 2500 cfs Inflow structure to NLBSA 125 MGD ASR wells and trenches to store excess from Western C-11 basin runoff runoff and reduce seepage into adjacent areas via the improved US 27 west borrow canal C-9 600 cfs pump for C-9 runoff 700 cfs (existing) S-31 structure to capture excess WCA 3B flows and divert to CLBSA via C-6 **North Lake Belt Storage** 1000 cfs pump to C-9 Impoundment for treatment of runoff Area stored in North Lake Belt Storage Canal construction with Not to scale conveyance capacity (2000 cfs) 2000 cfs structure for water supply deliveries Central Lake through C-9 Impoundment to C-6, C-7, C-4, **Belt Storage** and C-2/Snapper Creek or diversion of C-11W runoff to NLBSA **Area** 300 cfs pump from C-6 into NLBSA 1500 cfs pump inflow to Central Lake Belt Storage Area from WCA 2B & 3 via improved L-37 and L33 WPA Feasibility Study - PRE-SELECTED PLAN borrow canals S.W. Broward Area WPA Component Map 8

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Component Q

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Broward County

Component Title: Western C-11 Diversion Impoundment and Canal -- to North Lake Belt Storage Area - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAPS 7

Purpose: Divert untreated runoff from the western C-11 basin that is presently discharged into Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3A into the C-11 Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) / Impoundment prior to sending it south to the North Lake Belt Storage Area (NLBSA).

Operation: Runoff in the western C-11 basin that was previously backpumped into Water Conservation Area 3A is diverted into the C-11 STA/Impoundment and the NLBSA. If storage capacity is not available in the impoundment or NLBSA then the S-9 pump station is used to provide flood protection for the western C-11 basin and runoff is pumped into WCA 3A. To reduce groundwater elevations fluctuations in the eastern C-11 basin, the S-9 seepage divide structure (S-381) is operated to maintain the western C-11 Canal.

Design and operation details:

- 1) 1730-acre impoundment is divided into two compartments. The northern compartment is 209 acres in size with a maximum water depth of 2 feet. The southern compartment consists of a 1507-acre storage area with a maximum depth of 4 feet. An 11-foot high levee surrounds the impoundment with a 7-foot high internal levee separating the two compartments. Transfer of flow between compartments is accomplished by 2 sets of gated culverts each consisting of two, 60-foot long, 72-inch diameter culverts.
- Canal improvements: 2500 cfs diversion canal replaces the borrow canal located west of US Highway 27 between the C-11 and C-9 canals. Conveyance capacity improvements for the C-9 Canal are required between S-30 and the diversion structure into NLBSA.
- 3) Inflows: A 2500 cfs capacity inflow pump in the C-11 Canal directs runoff into the C-11 STA/Impoundment. For dry season operation, the pump turns on at elevation 4.0 feet NGVD and turns off at elevation 3.7 feet NGVD or when the impoundment reaches 4 feet of depth. The wet season pump on elevation is 3.9 feet NGVD and off elevation is 3.5 feet NGVD or when the impoundment reaches 4 feet of depth.
- 4) Discharges: A 2500 cfs structure discharges from the impoundment into the improved, US Highway 27 west borrow canal when stages reach 4.0 feet NGVD. The northern 2-foot area discharges at a rate up to 100 cfs into the eastern seepage canal.

- 5) There are two operational scenarios.
 - (1) On-peak operations: Stormwater runoff that is currently backpumped into WCA 3A in the western C-11 basin is diverted into the C-11 STA/Impoundment until full, then sent to the C-9 STA/Impoundment until full and finally to NLBSA. If storage capacity is not available in the C-11 STA/Impoundment, C-9 STA/Impoundment or NLBSA, then the S-9 pump station is used to provide flood protection for the western C-11 basin and runoff is pumped into WCA 3A.
 - (2) Off-peak operations: Water is supplied from the impoundment to maintain the western C-11 Canal and recharge south Broward County wellfields. To improve groundwater elevations in the eastern C-11 basin and Pond Apple Slough (at S-13A) during dry seasons, S-13A is opened and deliveries from the C-11 STA/Impoundment are made when the stage at S-13 is less than 3.5 feet NGVD. If water is not available from the C-11 STA/Impoundment, then deliveries are made by opening S-381 and allowing seepage water to recharge the basin and prevent excessive dry outs.
- 6) Seepage is collected and returned to the impoundment via a seepage collection system located on the north, east and west boundaries of the impoundment.
- 7) An emergency overflow spillway is designed as a lower section of the levee to maintain impoundment levee integrity. The emergency overflow spillway invert elevation is 1 foot above the maximum normal operating elevation. The spillway discharges into the C-11 Canal west of the divide structure.

Location: The diversion canal is located west of US Highway 27 between the C-11 and the C-9 Canals. The C-11 STA/Impoundment is located northeast of the intersection of US Highway 27 and C-11 Canal.

Counties: Broward, Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Flood protection component for FPL substation and mobile home park may be needed. For each facility, a 60 cfs pump with an on elevation of 6.0 feet NGVD and an off elevation of 5.0 feet NGVD is proposed.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.
- 3) Initially the C-11 STA/Impoundment is operated as an impoundment. This operation continues until the NLBSA is functional. At which time, the intended use of the impoundment is to provide water quality treatment as necessary.

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Summary of modifications from D13R: The impoundment footprint is modified and includes two interconnected compartments. The operation of the seepage collection system is modified. A new seepage collection canal and pump are added along the western perimeter of the impoundment east of US Highway 27. The seepage canal along the eastern boundary is connected to the C-11 Canal and helps improve seepage. The 2500 cfs outflow structure is relocated along the southwest side of the impoundment. The operations for the C-11 STA/Impoundment and S-13A are changed to provide dry season flows to the eastern C-11 basin and Pond Apple Slough. Recharge to the South Broward County wellfields are provided from C-11 Canal.

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Component R

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Broward County

Component Title: C-9 Stormwater Treatment Area (STA)/Impoundment - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 8

Purpose: Treatment of water supply deliveries from the North Lake Belt Storage Area (NLBSA) to the C-9, C-6/C-7 and C-2/C-4 Canals. Runoff is backpumped into the NLBSA from the western C-9 basin and the western C-11 Canal. The C-9 STA/Impoundment provides treatment of urban runoff that is stored in the North Lake Belt Storage Area, groundwater recharge within the basin and seepage control of WCA 3 and buffer areas located west of the impoundment.

Operation: Excess water from the C-11 and C-9 basins is distributed to the NLBSA and C-9 Impoundment when there is available storage. In the dry season, water supply deliveries are provided to the C-9, C-6/C-7 and C-2/C-4 canals and to Biscayne Bay. Seepage from the C-9 STA/Impoundment is collected and returned to the impoundment. Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) is proposed in conjunction with the impoundment to improve water supply during dry seasons and droughts. Twenty-five (25), 5-MGD ASR injection wells are included for a total of 125-MGD (194 cfs) capacity. Water from the C-9 STA/Impoundment is injected into the ASR wells when stages in the impoundment are greater than 5.5 feet NGVD (1 foot of depth). Water is released from the impoundment and is recovered from the ASR wells to meet demands when water levels in the impoundment are less than 5.5 feet NGVD (1 foot of depth).

Design and operation detail:

- 1) 2124-acre impoundment is divided into a northern compartment (385 acres) with a maximum depth of 2 feet and a southern compartment (1739 acres) with a maximum depth of 4 feet. An 11-foot high levee surrounds the impoundment with a 7-foot high internal levee separating the two compartments. Transfer of flows between the compartments is accomplished with one gated culvert structure consisting of two 65-foot long, 72-inch diameter culverts.
- 2) Inflow structure: 1000 cfs pump (from NLBSA, to be resized as needed) SEE COMPONENT XX. Pump on when water supply deliveries are needed to C-9, C-6/C-7 and C-2/C-4 canals and to Biscayne Bay when the water level in the NLBSA is above –15.0 feet NGVD.
- 3) Outflow structure: Gravity structure with 1000 cfs capacity discharges to the C-9 Canal for water supply deliveries to the C-6/C-7, C-2/C-4 canals and Biscayne Bay.

- 4) There are two operational scenarios:
 - (1) On-peak operations: Flows from the western C-11 and C-9 basins are distributed to NLBSA and C-9 STA/Impoundment where storage is available. Flows stop when the impoundment is full. The intent is to maximize the amount of water sent to the impoundment for storage in ASR.
 - (2) Off-peak operations: Water supply deliveries from the impoundment and ASR storage system are provided to the C-9, C-6/C-7, C-2/C-4 canals and to Biscayne Bay.
- 5) Seepage Collection: Seepage canals are located on the north, east and west boundaries of the STA/impoundment. Three, 100-cfs pumps are used to direct seepage back into the 4 foot deep impoundment area. The seepage collection canal system is maintained between elevations 2.5 and 3.0 feet NGVD for the east, 4.5 and 5.0 feet NGVD for the west and 4.0 and 4.3 feet NGVD for the 2-foot area.
- 6) Twenty-five (25), 5-MGD ASR injection wells (total capacity 125-MGD or about 194 cfs) are located around the perimeter of the impoundment. Eight (8) additional wells have been added to increase the withdrawal capacity to 165-MGD (255 cfs) which improves the effectiveness if the ASR storage system. Water is supplied for injection into the ASR wells via horizontal supply wells and toe drains located inside the impoundment. Water from the horizontal supply wells injects into the ASR wells when stages in the impoundment are greater than 5.5 feet NGVD (1.0 foot of depth). Water is recovered when stages in C-9 Canal are below 3.5 feet NGVD.
- 7) An emergency overflow spillway is designed as a lower section of the levee to maintain impoundment levee integrity. The emergency overflow spillway invert elevation is 1 foot above the maximum normal operating elevation. The spillway will discharge into the C-9 Canal.

Location: Site identified by Water Preserve Area Land Suitability Analysis, east of US Highway 27 and north of the C-9 Canal.

Counties: Broward

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Additional treatment facility needed if stored water is backpumped into Water Conservation Area 3A.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.
- 3) Initially the C-9 STA/Impoundment is operated as an impoundment. This operation continues until the NLBSA is functional. At which time, the intended use of the impoundment is to provide water quality treatment as necessary.

Summary of modifications from D13R: The footprint is modified and compartmentalized to include a 2-foot deep area to the north and a southern 4-foot deep area with a 7-foot high internal levee separating the compartments. An ASR system is included. The seepage collection system and inflow pump operation are modified.

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Component SS

Geographic Region: Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) and Miami-Dade County

Component Title: Reroute Miami-Dade County Water Supply Deliveries – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 6

Purpose: Reroute water supply deliveries made to Miami-Dade County from the Miami and Tamiami Canals and Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3 to the North New River Canal due to the backfilling of the Miami Canal as part of the decompartmentalization of WCA 3.

Operation: Send water supply deliveries from Lake Okeechobee to Miami-Dade County southeast through the North New River Canal in the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) (L-20, L-19, L-18 borrow canals) to S-150. From the S-150 send deliveries into L-38W borrow canal and at the southern terminus of the borrow canal deliveries continue south through a 1500 cfs pump to the borrow canal along the west side of US Highway 27.

Design and operation detail:

- 1) Double the capacity of the North New River Canal (L-18) south of the proposed EAA Storage Reservoir (see Component G not a component of the Broward groundwater model) to convey additional water supply deliveries to Miami-Dade County as necessary.
- 2) Double the capacity of S-351 and S-150 to pass additional water supply deliveries to Miami-Dade County as necessary.
- 3) Improve conveyance in the L-38W borrow canal to 2000 cfs as necessary.
- 4) Construct an inverted siphon with 1500 cfs capacity to pass water supply deliveries from the L-38 west borrow canal to the US Highway 27 west borrow canal. This maintains the separation of Lake Okeechobee water supply deliveries and WCA 2 seepage and overflow water.
- 5) Improve conveyance in the borrow canal on the west side of US Highway 27 between L-38W and the Miami Canal as necessary to pass the additional flows.
- 6) Pump intake at S-7 is lowered to elevation 8.0 feet NGVD.

Location: EAA and Water Conservation Area 3.

Counties: Palm Beach, Broward, and Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

1) Operational flexibility is reduced since there is only one delivery route to Miami-Dade County (back-up routes have been eliminated).

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R

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Component XX

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Miami-Dade County

Component Title: North Lake Belt Storage Area (NLBSA) - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 8

Purpose: In-ground reservoir to capture a portion of stormwater runoff from C-6, western C-11 and C-9 basins. The in-ground reservoir with perimeter seepage barrier allows storage of untreated runoff without concerns of groundwater contamination. The stored water is used to maintain stages during the dry season in the C-9, C-6, C-7, C-4 and C-2 canals and to provide deliveries to Biscayne Bay to aid in meeting salinity targets.

Operation: Runoff from the C-6 basin (west of the turnpike), western C-11, and C-9 basins is pumped and gravity fed into the in-ground reservoir. Inflows stop when stages reach approximately elevation 5.0 feet NGVD (0 feet above adjacent land elevation).

Outflows for water supply are pumped into the C-9 Storm Water Treatment Area (STA)/Impoundment prior to delivery to the C-9, C-6, C-7, C-4 and C-2 canals.

Water from the reservoir can be withdrawn down to a stage of -15 feet NGVD (up to 20 feet of working storage & maximum head on the seepage barrier).

Prioritization of outflows: If water levels in the NLBSA are from between +5.0 feet NGVD and 0.0 feet NGVD, flows are discharged to Biscayne Bay via the C-2 Canal. If water levels in the NLBSA are from between 0.0 feet NGVD and -10 feet NGVD, flows are discharged to C-9, C-6, C-7, C-4 and C-2 canals only to prevent saltwater intrusion. If water levels in NLBSA drop to levels between -10 feet NGVD and -15 feet NGVD, discharge are limited to the C-9 Canal only to avoid water shortage restrictions.

The storage area is 4500 acres in size and is used to capture a portion of the runoff from the C-6, C-9 and C-11 basins. (Note: SFWMM simulation assumes 5120 acres of surface area. To simulate equivalent working storage volumes, the simulated water levels are higher from those prescribed here.)

Design and operation detail:

1) Reservoir: 4500 acres with subterranean seepage barrier extending down 120 feet below ground around the perimeter to enable drawdown during dry periods, prevent seepage and to prevent water quality impacts.

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- 2) Inflow structures: 2500 cfs gravity structure @ 0.5 feet head, from C-11W. 600 cfs pump from C-9 (pump on 3.0 feet NGVD and pump off 2.5 feet NGVD). 300 cfs pump (pump on 3.5 feet NGVD and pump off 3.0 feet NGVD) from C-6 Canal west of the proposed divide structure which consists of a gated spillway to maintain an upstream stage of 3.5 feet NGVD.
- 3) Outflow structures: 1000 cfs pump (pump on between +5.0 and -10.0 feet NGVD and pump off -10.0 feet NGVD or when the C-9 STA/Impoundment is 4 feet deep) to C-9 STA/Impoundment for treatment prior to deliveries to C-6, C-7, C-4 and C-2 to prevent saltwater intrusion in coastal canals. (Stormwater treatment area detention time requirements need to be determined. Pretreatment in reservoir may reduce size requirements of treatment area). Deliveries from NLBSA assumed to be divided as follows, 70 percent to C-9 STA/Impoundment, 10 percent to southwest STA, 10 percent to south STA and 10 percent to northeast STA.
- 4) Southwest STA design: 100 cfs inflow pump (pump on between 5.0 and -10.0 feet NGVD in NLBSA when water supply deliveries are required to C-6, C-4 and C-2 Canals), 100 cfs gravity discharge structure to the C-6 Canal and two, 180 cfs seepage control pumps on the perimeter seepage canal.
- 5) South STA design: 100 cfs inflow pump (pump on between 5.0 and -10.0 feet NGVD in NLBSA when water supply deliveries are required to C-6, C-4 and C-2 Canals), 100 cfs gravity discharge structure to the C-6 Canal and two, 150 cfs seepage control pumps on the perimeter seepage canal.
- 6) Northeast STA design: 100 cfs inflow pump (pump on between 5.0 and -15.0 feet NGVD in NLBSA when water supply deliveries are required to C-9 Canal) and 100 cfs gravity discharge structure to the C-9 Canal.
- 7) A stage divide in the C-9 Canal is located east of the outflow structure from the C-9 STA/Impoundment. It consists of a gated culvert with a headwater stage of 5.5 feet NGVD and a tailwater stage of 2.5 feet NGVD and a capacity of 500 cfs. It passes Lake Okeechobee water supply deliveries to the C-9 Canal when other sources are not available.
- 8) Canal: 800 cfs canal capacity Water supply discharges are routed to C-4/C-2 via a canal to be located east of the Snapper Creek Canal (Northwest wellfield protection canal system).
- 2-1400 cfs delivery structures, one each at the new canal's confluence with C-6 and C-4.

Location: Reservoir is located within the area proposed for rockmining by the Lake Belt Issue Team. It is sited north of Miami Canal (C-6) and South of the C-9 Canal to minimize impacts to the Northwest wellfield.

Counties: Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) No adverse effect of a subterranean wall on Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield.
- 2) Treatment facility needed if stored water is backpumped to the Everglades.

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- 3) All water quality considerations are addressed regarding releases from the reservoir to the water supply wellfields.
- 4) Impacts on the cone of influence of the Northwest Wellfield and its effect on wetland mitigation around the wellfield.
- 5) Limestone Filter Treatment system within the NLBSA may be developed through use of compartmentalization of rock mining excavation pattern.
- 6) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.
- 7) Any specific water quality considerations regarding capture of C-6 basin runoff is addressed during the detailed design stage.

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R.

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Component ZZ

Geographic Region: Water Conservation Area -Water Preserve Area - Lake Belt

Component Title: Divert Water Conservation Area 3 flows to Central Lake Belt Storage Area – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 9

Purpose: Capture excess water in Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3A and 3B to reduce stages above target stages in WCA 3 and to divert it through modified structures at S-9 and S-31 to the Central Lake Belt Storage Area (CLBSA) via the L-37 and L-33 borrow canals.

Operation: When surface water in WCA 3B exceeds target depths by 0.1 feet, water is diverted to the CLBSA via the L-33 borrow canal. When surface water in WCA 3A near S-9 exceeds target depths by 1.0 foot, water is diverted to the CLBSA via the L-33 borrow canal.

Design and operation detail:

Outflow structures: A new 500 cfs structure located at the S-9 is constructed. It
operates at 2.0 feet of head to deliver flows from WCA 3A to the L-37 borrow canal.
The existing S-31 structure is modified to a capacity of 700 cfs and delivers flows
from WCA 3B to the L-33 borrow canal.

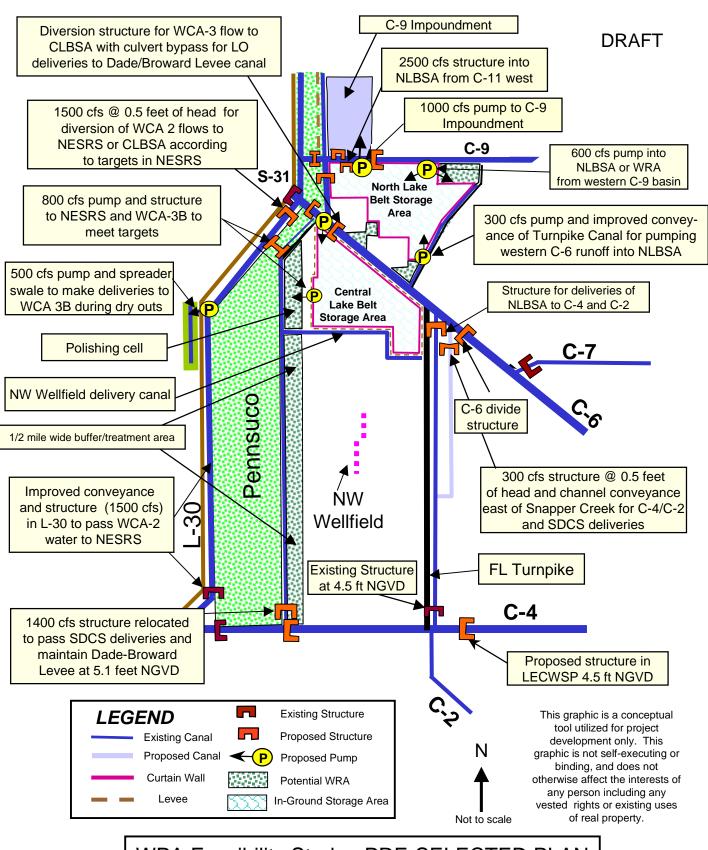
Location: The eastern levees of WCA 3.

Counties: Broward and Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Prioritization of use of Central Lake Belt Storage Area water.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R.



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North and Central Lake Belt Storage Areas
WPA Component Map 9

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Component S

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area – Miami-Dade County

Component Title: Central Lake Belt Storage Area (CLBSA)— SEE WPA COMPONENT MAPS 8 and 9

Purpose: In-ground reservoir to receive excess water from Water Conservation Areas (WCA) 2B, 3A and 3B. The in-ground reservoir, with perimeter seepage barrier, allows storage of large quantities of water without groundwater seepage losses in this highly transmissive region. The water stored in CLBSA is provided to 1) Northeast Shark River Slough (NESRS), 2) WCA 3B and 3) Biscayne Bay when available.

Operation: Inflows from the L-33 borrow canal (Component ZZ) are through a 1500 cfs pump. Inflows stop when stages reach approximately elevation 21.0 feet NGVD (16 feet above adjacent land elevation).

Outflows for water deliveries are pumped through a polishing marsh cell prior delivery to NESRS via the L-30 borrow canal and a reconfigured L-31N borrow canal (Component U). Deliveries of water to NESRS to meet targets occur when NESRS drys below trigger levels and target hydroperiods simulations call for NESRS to be inundated. CLBSA delivers water to WCA 3B through a polishing marsh cell via the L-30 borrow canal to inundate the eastern area of WCA 3B to a 6 inch depth when triggers call for deliveries. This delivery occurs when WCA 3B drys below 6 inches above ground and target hydroperiods simulations indicate inundation in WCA 3B. When available, outflows are directed to Biscayne Bay through discharges to Snapper Creek at the Turnpike. SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 9

Water supply from the reservoir can be withdrawn down to elevation –15.0 feet NGVD (up to 36 feet of working storage and maximum head on seepage barrier).

Prioritization of Operations: If water levels in the CLBSA are from between +21.0 feet NGVD and -15.0 feet NGVD, flows are discharged to NESRS. If water levels in the CLBSA are from between 21.0 feet NGVD and -10 feet NGVD, flows are discharged to WCA 3B. If water levels in CLBSA drop to levels between -10 feet NGVD and -15 feet NGVD, discharge is limited to the NESRS only to avoid water shortage restrictions.

The storage area is 5200 acres in size and is used to capture flows above Natural System Model (NSM) levels within WCA's 2B, 3A and 3B. (Note: SFWMM simulation assumes 5120 acres of surface area. To simulate equivalent working storage volumes, the simulated water levels are slightly lower from those prescribed here.)

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Design and operation details:

- Reservoir: 5200 acres with subterranean seepage barrier extending down 120 feet below ground around the perimeter to enable drawdown during dry periods, to prevent seepage and to prevent water quality impacts on the adjacent Miami-Dade Northwest Wellfield.
- 2) Inflow structures: (A) 1500 cfs pump (pump on between +21.0 and -15.0 feet NGVD) from the C-6 Canal. Pump is operated when stages in WCA 2A, 3A and 3B are above targets in those respective WCA's. (B) 1500 cfs gravity structure @ 0.5 feet head east of Krome Avenue on the C-6 Canal to deliver WCA deliveries via L-37, L-33 borrow canals and S-31. This structure is opened whenever WCA 2B, 3A and 3B are above NSM levels and Lake Okeechobee deliveries are not being provided to the Dade-Broward Levee borrow canal just downstream of the structure on the C-6 Canal. This structure from C-6 Canal east of the intersection of L-33 borrow canal consists of a gated spillway to maintain an upstream stage of 7.0 feet NGVD when deliveries from the WCA's are not being made to CLBSA.
- 3) Outflow structures: (A) 800 cfs pump from the CLBSA to NESRS via a 640-acre STA and the L-30 borrow canal. Deliveries from CLBSA are directed to the STA/wetland west of the CLBSA prior to discharge to NESRS and/or WCA 3B via the L-30 borrow canal. The pump is operated when water elevations in NESRS trigger deliveries from CLBSA and when water levels in CLBSA are above -15 feet NGVD. (B) The STA discharges to L-30 borrow canal via an 800 cfs gravity structure. (Stormwater Treatment Area detention time requirements need to be determined. Pretreatment in reservoir may reduce the size requirements of the treatment area.) The structure is operated from 0.5 feet to 4 feet of head as a flow through discharge operated simultaneously with the outflow pump from CLBSA.
- 4) 1400 cfs (also see Dade-Broward Levee Component) structure located downstream of the inflow pump is kept closed except for deliveries to coastal canals and the South Dade Conveyance System. The structure consists of a gated spillway to maintain an upstream stage of 7.0 feet NGVD.

Location: Reservoir is located within the area proposed for rockmining by the Lake Belt Issue Team. It is sited south of the Miami Canal (C-6) and north of the Northwest Wellfield Delivery canal to minimize the impacts to the Northwest Wellfield.

Counties: Miami-Dade

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Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) No adverse effect of a subterranean wall on Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield.
- 2) Treatment facility needed if stored water is backpumped to the Everglades (640-acre STA).
- 3) All water quality considerations are addressed regarding releases from the reservoir to the water supply wellfields.
- 4) Impacts on the cone of influence of the Northwest Wellfield and its effect on wetland mitigation around the wellfield.
- 5) Limestone Filter Treatment system within the reservoir may be developed through use of compartmentalization of rockmining excavation pattern.
- 6) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R.

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Component T

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area – Miami-Dade County

Component Title: C-4 Structures

Purpose: Proposed structures (east and west) provide two separate benefits. The west structure controls water levels in the C-4 Canal at a higher elevation to reduce seepage losses from the Pennsuco Wetlands and areas to the west of the structure. The east structure reduces regional system water supply deliveries by diverting dry season stormwater flows to the C-2 Canal to increase recharge in several nearby coastal wellfields.

Operation: The west structure maintains water levels at 6.5 feet NGVD for seepage control purposes and is capable of passing stormwater flows with a minimum head loss and supplies water to the C-4 basin to meet water supply demands. The east structure diverts dry season stormwater flows from the western C-4 basin to the C-2 Canal to recharge the wellfields in the eastern C-2 basin.

Design and operation detail:

1) West structure - An operable lift-gate with an overflow elevation of 6.5 feet NGVD and a capacity of approximately 400 cfs (final design specifications will be determined in future detailed design and hydrologic and hydraulic modeling).

Location: Just downstream of the Dade-Broward Levee in the C-4 Canal.

2) East structure - An operable lift-gate with an overflow elevation of 4.5 feet NGVD and a capacity of approximately 600 cfs (final design specifications will be determined in future detailed design and hydrologic and hydraulic modeling).

Location: In the C-4 Canal, just downstream of the confluence of the C-2 and C-4 canals.

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Benefits to WCA 3B associated with improved C-4 seepage control are directly related to the proposed G-356 pumpage (Modified Water Deliveries).
- 2) Head losses across the proposed structures do not inhibit passing flood releases when necessary.
- 3) A pump may be associated with the west structure if back pumping the C-4 basin runoff to the Bird Drive Recharge Area becomes a component of the final alternative.

Summary of modifications from D13R: No change from D13R.

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Component U

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Miami-Dade County

Component Title: Bird Drive Recharge Area - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 10

Purpose: Capture runoff from the western C-4 basin and accept inflows from the West Dade Wastewater Treatment Plant (WDWTP) to recharge groundwater and reduce seepage from the Everglades National Park (ENP) buffer areas by increasing water table elevations east of Krome Avenue. The facility also provides C-4 basin flood peak attenuation and water supply deliveries to the South Dade Conveyance System and Northeast Shark River Slough (NESRS) via seepage.

Operation: Inflows from the western C-4 basin and the WDWTP will be pumped into the western portion of the proposed recharge area. C-4 basin runoff in excess of 200 cfs is discharged eastward. Inflows from the WDWTP are continuous when the Recharge Area depth is equal to or less than 3 feet above ground. WDWTP discharges are to deep injection wells if the water depth is greater than 3 feet or the C-4 inflow pump is in operation. A seepage management system is operated around the east and southern perimeters of the recharge area. The recharge area outflows are prioritized to meet 1) groundwater recharge demands, 2) South Dade Conveyance System (SDCS) demands and 3) NESRS demands, when supply is available. Regional system deliveries are routed through the recharge area via an 800 cfs capacity canal that runs along the north and west side of the recharge area to the SDCS.

Design and operation detail:

- 1) 3736-acre impoundment split into two compartments by a 5-foot high internal levee. A 1493-acre storage area with a maximum depth of 4 feet extends along the north and west sides of the recharge area. The remaining 2243 acres has average stages between 1 and 1.5 feet deep and is operated to maintain a Muhly grass prairie. Excess water within the eastern compartment is collected by a seepage canal system and backpumped into the 4-foot deep area.
- 2) Inflow structure: A 200 cfs capacity pump station located in the northeast corner of the recharge area provides water from the C-4 Canal to the 4-foot deep area. Inflow to the shallow area is provided by seepage from the 4-foot deep area and rainfall.
- 3) Outflow structure: Two, 800 cfs gravity structures are located in the western delivery canal. The northern structure allows discharges from the deep area while the other provides discharge from the shallow area. Also, a water supply gravity outflow structure with 50 cfs capacity at 1-foot of head discharges from eastern compartment to the seepage canal.
- 4) Seepage collection system: A seepage canal borders the eastern and southern boundaries of Bird Drive Recharge Area. Two, 150-cfs capacity pumps are located in the seepage canal in order to collect seepage and return it to the 4-foot deep area.

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- 5) Delivery system: The canal inside the recharge area along the northern and western boundary with a capacity of 800 cfs provides water supply deliveries to the SDCS from the Dade-Broward Levee Canal. Relocate the S-338 structure east of Krome Avenue and delivery canal.
- 6) Inflows from the treatment plant to the 4-foot deep area are according to Miami-Dade County's projected monthly distribution for the treatment plant. If water depths in the western compartment are greater that 3 feet, discharges from the treatment plant are injected into deep wells.

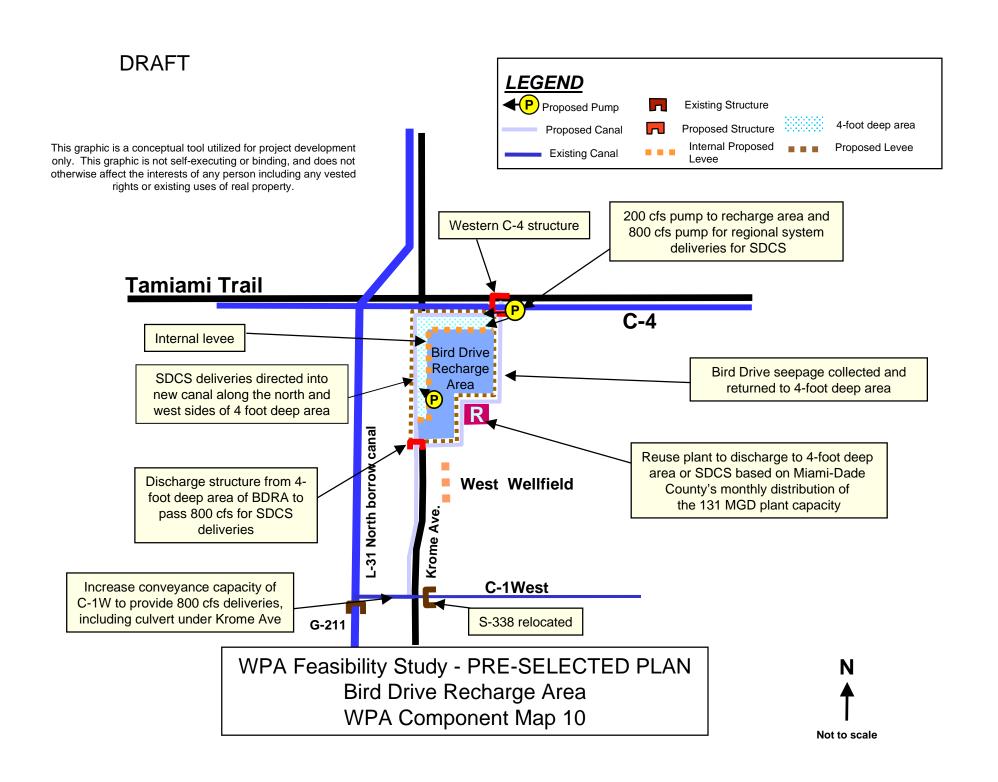
Location: Northwestern 4 sections in Bird Drive basin. This site was identified during the Water Preserve Area Land Suitability Analysis.

Counties: Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Treatment facility needed if seepage collected does not meet Everglades standards.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.
- 3) Flood protection in the basin is not removed by the introduction of the West Dade Wastewater Treatment Plant inflows.
- 4) Regional-scale simulation using SFWMM 2mi X 2mi resolution is rather coarse for this local-scale feature. Specific land elevations in the Bird Drive Recharge Area are not precisely mimicked due to location and scale considerations in the SFWMM.

Summary of modifications from D13R: The footprint of Bird Drive Recharge Area is modified and includes two compartments with a 5-foot high internal levee dividing the two areas. Include a seepage canal along the eastern and southern boundary. Locate the delivery canal in the recharge area along the northern and western boundary inside the 4-foot deep area.



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Component BB

Geographic Region: Water Preserve Area - Miami-Dade County

Component Title: Dade Broward Levee / Pennsuco Wetlands - SEE WPA COMPONENT MAP 9

Purpose: Reduce seepage to the east from the Pennsuco wetlands and southern Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3B and enhance hydroperiods in the Pennsuco. Also, an improved Dade Broward Levee enhances recharge to Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield.

Operation: Improvements to the Dade-Broward Levee and associated conveyance system reduces seepage losses to the east and provide recharge to Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield. Seepage reduction enhances hydroperiods in Pennsuco wetlands and hold stages higher along southeastern WCA 3B. Recharging the conveyance features of the Dade-Broward levee from the regional system deliveries provides recharge to Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield. Treatment areas are provided to meet all water quality standards required, if necessary.

Design and operation detail:

- Improve the Dade-Broward Levee: Construct or improve the existing levee to a fivefoot height with a twelve-foot top width and an east borrow canal with 14 feet depth, 110-foot bottom width, 1 to 1 (vertical to horizontal) side slopes, and improve existing conveyance to 1400 cfs.
- 2) 600 cfs divide structure in the C-6 Canal for regional system deliveries to C-6, C-7, C-4, and C-2 canals and the South Dade Conveyance System (SDCS). This structure controls the C-6 Canal water levels so that deliveries are directed to the Dade-Broward Levee borrow canal, the Central Lake Belt Storage Area or are released to the canals above.
- 3) 1400 cfs bypass structure and proposed canal from the C-6 Canal to the Dade-Broward Levee Canal to allow Lake Okeechobee deliveries south to provide recharge from the regional system via the improved US Highway 27 west canal.
- 4) 1400 cfs gravity structure in the Dade-Broward Levee borrow canal located on the northern levee of the C-4 Canal. Deliveries are made to maintain a control elevation of 5.1 feet NGVD unless deliveries are being made to the SDCS. Tailwater elevations for this structure during deliveries to the SDCS is 4.5 feet NGVD.

Location: Dade-Broward Levee, Pennsuco Wetlands, WCA 3B, the Central Lake Belt Storage Area and Miami-Dade County's Northwest Wellfield.

Counties: Miami-Dade

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Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Wellfield protection must be maintain through recharge of acceptable water quality.
- 2) Secondary structures within the recharge canals may be needed to provide seepage reduction and wellfield recharge desired.
- 3) The stage maintained in the Dade-Broward Levee conveyance canal is subject to change.

Summary of modifications from D13R: Relocate the gravity structure in the Dade-Broward Levee borrow canal south to the northern levee of the C-4 Canal. Send Lake Okeechobee water supply deliveries south via the Dade-Broward Levee borrow canal instead of further east along the turnpike canal. Control elevation is increased to 5.1 feet NGVD.

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Component EEE

Geographic Region: Water Conservation Area -Water Preserve Area - Lake Belt

Component Title: Flows to Eastern Water Conservation Area (WCA) 3B from Central Lake Belt Storage Area – SEE WPA COMPONENT MAPS 8 and 9

Purpose: Capture excess surface water and seepage from Water Conservation Area 2B, 3A and 3B in Central Lake Belt Storage Area (CLBSA) deliver it to eastern WCA 3B during dryouts.

Operation: Deliveries are made to maintain 6 inch depths in WCA 3B if Natural System Model (NSM) hydroperiod indicate WCA 3B water levels should be at or above 6 inches and water is available in CLBSA. Deliveries from CLBSA occur through a wetland treatment cell and the L-30 borrow canal to a spreader swale system in the eastern areas of WCA 3B.

Design and operation detail:

- 1) A 500 cfs pump deliveries water the L-30 borrow canal to the eastern portion of WCA 3B.
- 2) A spreader swale along eastern WCA 3B converts the water supplied by the 500 cfs pump to sheetflow.

Location: The discharge point from L-30 borrow canal to WCA 3B is at the bend in the canal and is approximately 4.5 miles south of the intersection of the L-30 and the C-6 canals.

Counties: Miami-Dade

Assumptions and related considerations:

- 1) Prioritization of use of Central Lake Belt Storage Area water.
- 2) Telemetry systems are required for all operable structures and pump stations.

Summary of modifications from D13R: The upgrade to 2000 cfs from 1500 cfs capacity for CLBSA deliveries to Northeast Shark River Slough is not included. The upgrade is an error in the text carried over from a previous design alternative.